



STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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EUGENE A. CONTI, JR.
SECRETARY

February 16, 2012

Steppe Construction, Inc.
Attn: Ms. Tressie Steppe
4149 N. NC Hwy 9
Mill Spring, NC 28756

Re: **Award Letter**
Contract ID: DN00057
TIP: B-5180
Federal Aid: N/A
WBS: 47015.3.1
County: Henderson
Location: Bridge #205 Over Mud Creek on SR 1764 (Old Spartanburg Hwy)
Description: Utility Construction, Erosion Control, Traffic Control
Bid Opening: February 14, 2012

Dear Ms. Steppe:

Steppe Construction, Inc. is the lowest responsible bidder for the above reference contract. In accordance with the contract document, proof of liability insurance of five million dollars (\$5,000,000.00) and workers compensation insurance must be submitted to this office by Wednesday, February 29, 2012.

The contract availability date for the contract is March 12, 2012. Failure to meet the above deadlines does not justify extension of the contract completion date. The contract will be administered from the District Engineer's Office in Mills River, North Carolina. After receipt of the certified copy of the executed purchase order contract, please contact Mr. Steve Cannon at (828) 891-7911 to inform him of when you intend to begin work and arrange for any pre construction conference. All pay requests and any other forms required by the contract will be submitted to his office at 4142 Haywood Road, Mills River NC 28742.

Fourteenth Division Office

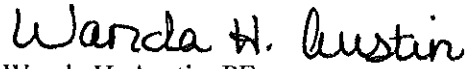
Phone: (828)586-2141

253 Webster Road, Sylva, North Carolina 28779

Fax: (828)586-4043

Thank you for your desire to do business with North Carolina Department of Transportation. Should you have any questions about the above requirement, please contact me at (828) 586-2141.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Wanda H. Austin". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Wanda H. Austin, PE
Proposals Engineer